the changed beat period.

of the <u>input</u> audio signal in accordance with the changed [BPM and] <u>beats per minute or</u>

Claim 2, line 3, change "BPM" to --beats per minute--.

Claim 3, line 3, change "BPM" to --beats per minute--.

Claim 4, line 2, change "BPM" to --beats per minute--.

Claim 5, line 2, change "an" to --a changed tempo--; and

line 3, after "said" insert --input--.

Claim 6, line 3, change "an" to --said changed tempo--; and line 4, after "said" (first occurrence) insert --input--.

Please add the following new claim:

--7. An audio signal processing apparatus which changes the tempo of an input audio signal, said apparatus comprising:

a magnification designating device which designates a plurality of different magnifications;

a device which automatically detects beats per minute of the input audio signal or a beat period of the input audio signal, changes said beats per minute or said beat period in accordance with a magnification designated by the magnification designating device, and changes the tempo of the input audio signal in accordance with the changed beats per minute or the changed beat period.—